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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 1 and 2. These sheets replace the original sheets including Figs. 1 and 2. In Fig. 1, Applicants have amended the drawing to provide for a single bed roll blade 140 cooperatively coupled with a web pin 130. Additionally, the dimensional call-outs A and B have been removed. Applicants have also amended Fig. 2 to provide for a bed roll blade spacing A and a chop-off roll blade spacing B therein.

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Replacement Sheet

Annotated Sheets Showing Changes

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REMARKS

Claims 20-24 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claim 1 has been amended to correct a typographical error. No new matter has been presented in currently amended Claim 1. No other amendments to the Claims are presented by way of the current Amendment. Claims 1, 3-5, and 7-8 remain pending in the instant Application and are presented for the Examiner's review in light of the above amendments and the following comments.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1, 3-5, and 7-8 have been deemed allowable over the prior art of record. Applicants thank the Examiner for this determination.

Drawings

The Examiner has objected to Applicants' drawings submitted August 23, 2005. By way of Amendment herein, Applicants have amended both Figs. 1 and 2 of the instant drawings commensurate in scope with the discussion with the Examiner on March 7, 2006. In short, Fig. 1 has been amended to remove the bed roll blade spacing A and chop-off roll blade spacing B and to remove the left-hand most bed roll blade 140. Integral connection between the right-hand most bed roll blade 140 and bed roll pin 130 has been provided. Additionally, Fig. 2 has been amended to provide for a bed roll blade spacing A and a chop-off roll blade spacing B. Applicants believe that the drawings, as now submitted, should meet with the Examiner's approval.

Claim Objections

The Examiner has objected to Claim 20 for informalities. Due to Applicants' cancellation of Claims 20-24 herein, Applicants believe the instant objection has been obviated.

Double Patenting

The Examiner has objected to Applicants Claim 22 under 37 C.F.R. §1.75 as being a substantial duplicate of Applicants' Claim 4. Applicants believe the instant objection under 37 C.F.R. §1.75 has been obviated due to the cancellation of Claims 20-24 herein.

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Rejection Under 35 USC §103

Claims 20, 21, 23, and 24 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over McNeil, U.S. Patent No. 4,919,351 in view of Wilson, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,851,642. Inasmuch as current Claims 20-24 have been cancelled by Amendment herein and without commenting on the merits of the instant rejection, Applicants fully believe that the instant rejection to Claims 20, 21, 23, and 24 has been obviated. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the Examiner's objection and rejection to the relevant Claims stated herein.

Conclusion

Based on the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that each of Applicants' remaining claims is in condition for allowance and favorable reconsideration is requested.

This response is timely filed pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.8 and M.P.E.P. §512, and no fee is believed due. However, if any additional charges are due, the Examiner is hereby authorized to deduct such charge from Deposit Account No. 16-2480 in the name of The Procter & Gamble Company.

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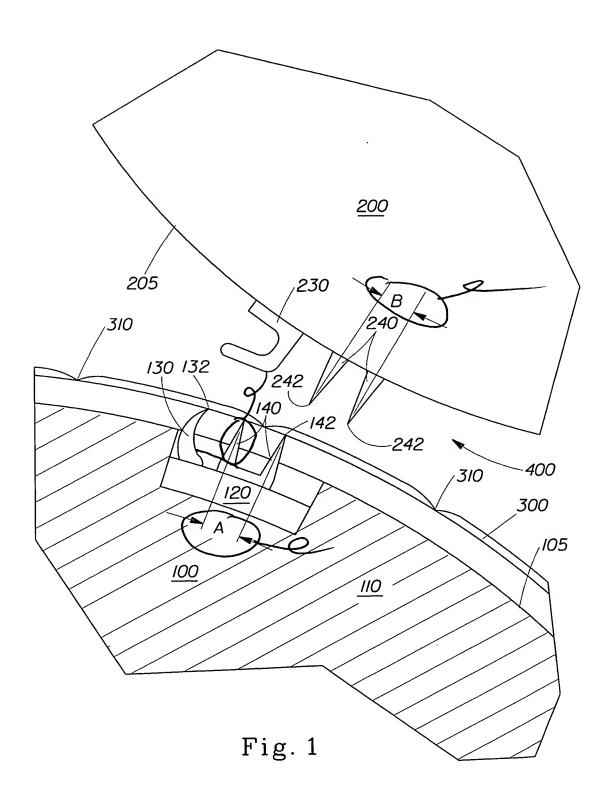
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